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Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$15,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS \$15,000,000
Sterling \$15,000,000
Silver \$15,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$15,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
G. Balloch, Esq., Chairman.
Robert Shaw, Esq., Deputy Chairman.
F. H. Armstrong, Esq., S. A. Levy, Esq.
J. W. Bannock, Esq., F. Lieb, Esq.
Hon. Mr. Henry Kew, G. H. Medhurst, Esq.
W. C. R. Lumsden, Esq., H. A. Sles, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong—J. R. M. SMITH.

MANAGER:
Shanghai—H. E. R. HUNTER.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON COUNTY AND WESTMINSTER BANK, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:

On Current Account at the rate of 1 per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 3 months, 2 1/2 per Cent. per Annum.

For 6 months, 3 per Cent. per Annum.

For 12 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 7th May, 1910. [10]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1851
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

PAID-UP CAPITAL £1,000,000
RESERVE FUND £1,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITIES OF PROPRIETORS £1,000,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNT at the rate of 1 per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per Cent.

WM. DICKSON, Manager.

Hongkong, 16th April, 1910. [13]

YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED.

CAPITAL PAID-UP Yen 24,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS " 10,250,000

Head Office—YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies:

TOKIO. HANKOW.
KOBE. TIENSIN.
OSAKA. PEKIN.
NAGASAKI. NEWCHOWANG.
LONDON. DANY.
LYONS. PORT ARTHUR.
NEW YORK. ANTING.
SAN FRANCISCO. LIOYANG.
HOMBLU. MOEDEN.
BOMBAY. TIE-LING.
SHANGHAI. CHANG-CHUN.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Account at the rate of 1 per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed deposit—

For 12 months 4 p.c.

" 6 " 3 1/2 " "

" 3 " 3 " "

TAKAO TAKAMICHI, Manager.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1910. [18]

DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP—Sh. Tael 7,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES:

Berlin. Calcutta. Hamburg. Hankow.

Kobe. Peking. Singapore. Tientsin.

Tientsin. Tientsin. Yokohama.

FOUNDED BY THE FOLLOWING BANKS AND BANKERS:

Koenigliche Seehandlung (Preussische Staatsbank)

Direction der Disconto-Gesellschaft

Deutsche Bank

S. Bleichroeder

Berliner Handels-Gesellschaft

Bank fuer Handel und Industrie.

Robert Warshawsky & Co.

Mandelsohn & Co.

J. A. von Rothschild & Soehne, Frankfurt a.M.

Norddeutsche Bank in Hamburg, Hamburg.

Sal. Oppenheim Jr. & Co., Koeln.

Bayrische Hypothek- und Wechselbank, Muenchen.

LONDON BANKERS:

Messrs. N. M. Rothschild & Sons.

THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.

DEUTSCHER BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENT

DIRECTION DER DISCONTO GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account

DEPOSITS received on terms which may be

learned on application. Every description of

Banking and Exchange business transacted.

J. KULLMANN, Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1910. [19]

Banks.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 PER CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1907. [21]

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

CAPITAL PAID UP GOLD \$1,000,000
ABOUT MEX \$7,323,232
RESERVE FUND GOLD \$1,000,000
ABOUT MEX \$7,323,232

HEAD OFFICE:

50 WALL STREET, NEW YORK.

LONDON OFFICE:

THRADNEDLE HOUSE, E.C.

LONDON BANKERS:

BANK OF ENGLAND.

NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND, LIMITED.

THE CAPITAL AND COUNTIES BANK, LTD.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS ALL OVER THE WORLD.

THE Corporation transacts every description of Banking and Exchange business, receives Money in Current Account at the rate of 2 1/2 per Cent. per Annum on daily balances and deposits Fixed Deposits at the following rates:

For 12 months 4 per Cent. per Annum.

" 6 " 3 1/2 " "

" 3 " 3 " "

No. 9, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

N. S. MARSHALL, Manager.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1910. [19]

Insurance

CHINA MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO., LD., OF SHANGHAI.

DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS:

Alexander McLeod, Esq., Chairman.

O. Stephenson, Esq.

Lee Yung So, Esq.

J. H. McMichael, Esq.

O. R. Burkill, Esq.

J. A. Wattie, Esq., Manager Director.

A. J. Hughes, Esq., Secretary.

S. B. Neill, F.I.A., Actuary.

A STRONG British Corporation Registered under Hongkong Ordinances and under Life Assurance Companies' Acts, England.

Insurance in Force \$34,054,152.00

Assets 7,114,490.08

Income for Year 3,073,831.81

Total Security to Policyholders 7,885,852.53

LEFFERTS KNOX, Esq., Hongkong, District Manager.

B. W. TAFE, Esq., On-on, Macao and the Philippines.

District Secretary.

ALEXANDRA BUILDING, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1909. [18]

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY LIMITED.

TIME TABLE

WEEK DAYS.

7.00 a.m.

7.30 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.

10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.

11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

3.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

4.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

NIGHT CAR.

8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m., 9.45 p.m. to 11.15 p.m. every half hour.

SUNDAYS.

8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.

9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. Every 30 minutes.

9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.

10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.

11.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon Every 15 minutes.

12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

1.00 p.m. to 1.30 p.m. Every 30 minutes.

1.30 p.m. to 2.00 p.m. Every 30 minutes.

2.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

3.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

4.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

NIGHT CARS as on Week Days

SATURDAYS.

Extra cars at 7.15 p.m., 11.30 p.m. and 11.45 p.m.

SPECIAL CARS by Arrangement at Company's Office, ALEXANDRA BUILDING, Des Voeux Road Central.

JOHN D. HOPKINS & SON, General Managers.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1910. [17]

Mails.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

WILL dispatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on or about the DATES named—

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL ON REMARKS.

SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & SIMLA About 9th May Freight and Passage.

YOKOHAMA (Capt. G. D. Goldsmith, R.M.R.)

LONDON, &c., via usual Ports (Delhi) Noon 14th May See Special Advertisement.

(Capt. G. W. Gordon, R.M.R.)

LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES (Nore) About 18th May Freight and Passage.

(Capt. G. Philipps)

SHANGHAI (Assaye) About 16th May Freight and Passage.

(Capt. Owen Jones)

For further particulars, apply to E. A. HEWETT, Superintendant.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, 12th May, 1910. [4]

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO. TAILORING DEPARTMENT.

JUST ARRIVED

NEW MATERIALS

FOR

SPRING AND SUMMER WEAR

IN

Exclusivo Designs.

FLANNEL AND TWEED SUITS

From \$38.50 Unlined.

TROPICAL DRESS SUITINGS

A SPECIALITY.

FIT, STYLE AND WEAR GUARANTEED.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO. [1]

Hongkong, 20th April, 1910. [13]

BOORD & SON.

OLD TOM

and

DRY GIN.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & CO., SOLE AGENTS.

Hongkong, 20th April, 1910. [13]

Hotels.

LADY PIANIST at the BELLE VIEW HOTEL, SHAUKIWAN ROAD, Telephone No. 977.

Iced Drinks, Best Brands of Liquors will be served at Tables on the Lawn or Verandahs.

Lady Pianist will play the piano at the above Hotel during afternoon and evening hours every day commencing from 30th instant.

Meals a la Carte at all hours.

W. WINCH, Manager.

ALL CORDIALLY INVITED.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1910. [16]

HOTEL CRAIGIEBURN.

Plowman's Gap, the Park, near the Tram Terminus Tel. 66

For Terms, &c., apply to the MANAGER

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1910. [17]

Shipping—Steamers

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND

WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF

THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

HONGKONG TO CANTON: CANTON TO HONGKONG: HONGKONG TO CANTON: CANTON TO HONGKONG:

MONDAY, 9th May. THURSDAY, 12th May.

8.00 A.M. HEUNGSHAN 8.00 A.M. HONAM 8.00 A.M. HONAM 8.00 A.M. HEUNGSHAN

10.00 P.M. KINSHAN 5.15 P.M. FATSHAN 10.00 P.M. KINSHAN 5.15 P.M. FATSHAN

TUESDAY, 10th May. FRIDAY, 13th May.

8.00 A.M. HONAM 8.00 A.M. HEUNGSHAN 8.00 A.M. HEUNGSHAN 8.00 A.M. HONAM

10.00 P.M. FATSHAN 5.15 P.M. KINSHAN 10.00 P.M. KINSHAN 5.15 P.M. FATSHAN

WEDNESDAY, 11th May. SATURDAY, 14th May.

8.00 A.M. HEUNGSHAN 8.00 A.M. HONAM 8.00 A.M. HONAM 8.00 A.M. HEUNGSHAN

10.00 P.M. KINSHAN 5.15 P.M. FATSHAN 10.00 P.M. KINSHAN 5.15 P.M. FATSHAN

SUNDAY, 15th May.

10.00 P.M. HEUNGSHAN

These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to the Superior Saloon and Cabin Accommodation. Lighted throughout by electricity. Electric Fan in each Cabin.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "SUI-TAI," 1,265 Tons and "SUI-AN," 1,265 Tons.

Departures from Hongkong to Macao on week days at 8 A.M. and at 2 P.M. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

Departures from Macao to Hongkong on week days at 7.30 A.M. and at 2 P.M.

N.B.—There will be no morning steamer from Hongkong or afternoon steamer from Macao from Friday, the 13th, till Monday, the 16th, inst., owing to docking.

EXCURSION TO MACAO.

On SUNDAY, the 15th MAY, 1910.

The Company's Steamship

"HEUNGSHAN,"

will depart from the COMPANY'S CANTON STEAMERS WHARF at 9 A.M.

Departure from Macao at 5 P.M.

GREAT REDUCTION IN FARES:

1st Class Return \$2, Single \$1. 2nd Class Return \$1, Single 60 cts.

N.B.—The Company also runs a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at 7.30 A.M. and 1 P.M. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf. This steamer connects with the returning steamer from Macao.

Further Particulars may be obtained at the Office of the Company.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "HOI SANG," 457 Tons

Departures from MACAO to CANTON on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 9 P.M.

Departures from CANTON to MACAO on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 5 P.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM," 585 Tons, and "NANNING," 569 Tons.

One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Wuhow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at about 8 A.M., and the other leaves Wuhow for Canton on the same days at 8.30 A.M. Round trips take about 5 days. Passengers can return to Hongkong or Vice-Versa by the Company's direct steamers "Linton" and "Santal." These vessels have Superior Cabin Accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity. Electric Fan in each cabin.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the—

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LD., HOTEL MANSIONS, (FIRST FLOOR), opposite the Blake Pier. [1]

Hotels.

HONGKONG HOTEL

FIRST CLASS AND UP-TO-DATE.

A.

Intimation.

Powell's

28, QUEEN'S ROAD.

GENT'S . . .

HELMETS . . .

FINE QUALITY

INDIAN PITH . . .

Covered English Felt

in White and Grey.

FEATHER . . .

WEIGHT.

THE

"SINGAPORE"

made of Rubber, covered white affords splendid protection.

THE

"SHIKAR"

Cork and Gossamer in white with puggaree.

A SMART AND USEFUL HAT.

"PICSTICKER"

in Khaki Silk Alpaca.

A reliable helmet for those continually exposed to the sun.

BEST QUALITY

GOODS ONLY.

WM. POWELL, LTD.

28, Queen's Road.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1910.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE

WE have this day established our Hongkong Branch, with offices in the Hongkong Hotel Building, Des Voeux Road, and have admitted as a partner to this said Branch, Mr. DENIS EWART DONNELLY, under whose management the business will be conducted.

GARNER, QUELCH & CO.,
Wholesale Wine Merchants.
Hongkong, 7th May, 1910.

NOTICE

THE UNDERSIGNED are GENERAL REPRESENTATIVES throughout the FAR EAST for the following firms:

Ackerman-Laurance (Estbd. 1871) Champagne Shippers, St. Hilaire-St. Florent, France.
James Buchanan & Co., Ltd. Scotch Whisky Distillers, London & Glasgow.
Cunliffe, Dobson & Co. (Estbd. 1804) Claret Shippers, Bordeaux.
Deale, Mounie & Co. (Estbd. 1838) Cognac Shippers, Cognac.
Edgell & Hutchinson, Wine Shippers, London.

Foster & Sons, Ltd. (Estbd. 1829) Beer & Stout Bottlers, London.
Hunt, Roope, Teague & Co. (Estbd. previous to 1735) Port Shippers, Oporto & London.
Humphrey, Taylor & Co. (Estbd. 1770) Liqueur Distillers, London.

Marshall & Sons (Largest Vermouth Manufacturers in the World) Turin.
Meux's Brewery Co., Ltd. (Estbd. 1764) Beer & Stout Brewers, London.
T. Querry, Gordon & Co. (Estbd. 1769) Gin Distillers, London.

GARNER, QUELCH & CO.,
Wholesale Wine Merchants.
Hongkong, 7th May, 1910.

NOTICE

IN connection with the above advertisement we have this day appointed Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., Retail Agents for the sale of the above WINES and SPIRITS, to whom all enquiries should be addressed.

GARNER, QUELCH & CO.,
Wholesale Wine Merchants.
Hongkong, 10th May, 1910.

NOTICE

HAVING this day been appointed by Messrs. GARNER, QUELCH & CO., Retail Agents for the sale of the above WINES and SPIRITS we are prepared to supply same at reasonable prices. Every article mentioned on our Wine and Spirit Price List, which will be supplied on application, is BOTTLED IN EUROPE by the Shipper.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.,
Hongkong, 10th May, 1910.

NOTICE

CHINA COMMERCIAL TRADING COMPANY, Merchants and Commission Agents, have this day been established at No. 33, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, 2nd Floor.

Dated the 3rd May, 1910.

LO YUK KEE,
Manager.

Public Company

THE CHINESE ENGINEERING AND MINING CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND OF ONE SHILLING AND SIX PENCE per Share, free of tax, on account of year ending 28th February, 1910, has been declared by the Directors of the above Company.

COUPON No. 12 is payable on the 2nd May, at the Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China and the Russo-Chinese Bank at Tientsin and Shanghai.

J. S. DOBIE,
Agent.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1910.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,

ON SATURDAY, the 14th May, 1910, at 2.30 P.M., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, corner of Ice House Street, SUNDRY VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

Comprising:—
TAPESTRY-COVERED DRAWING ROOM, SUITE OF OVERMANTELS with BEVELLED GLASS, BOOKCASE, HAT-STAND with BEVELLED GLASS, DINER WAGON, SIDEBOARD with BEVELLED GLASS, TEAKWOOD EXTENSION DINING TABLE and CHAIRS, DRESSING TABLES with BEVELLED GLASS, MARBLE-TOP WASHTANDS, BRASS and BRASS-MOUNTED IRON BEDSTEADS, TEAKWOOD WARDROBES with BEVELLED GLASS, a quantity of CANTON CARVED BLACKWOOD WARE, GLASS, CROCKERY and E.P. WARE, CARPETS and RUGS;

ALSO
A Number of TYPEWRITERS and ONE BICYCLE.

TERMS:—As usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 11th May, 1910.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, ON

WEDNESDAY, 18th May, 1910, at 11 A.M., at No. 16 Godown of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, 477 Bales RAW SILK, more or less damaged ex s.s. Goeben.

TERMS:—Cash on delivery.
G. F. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 10th May, 1910.

LABU (F.M.S.) RUBBER

FULL ADVANTAGE OF THE RISE IN PRICES.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The *Financial*, of April 7, contains the following report:—

The third annual general meeting of the members of the Labu (F.M.S.) Rubber Co., Limited, was held yesterday at the London Chamber of Commerce, Cannon Street, E.C. Major G. F. T. Leather presiding.

Mr. J. G. Hay (representing Messrs. Guthrie and Co., Limited, secretaries of the company) read the notice convening the meeting and the report of the auditors:

The Chairman: Gentlemen, in the absence of our chairman, Colonel the Hon. Charles Lambton, who has been visiting your property to the East, and who has been unavoidably prevented from attending in time for this present meeting, I have been asked to take the chair to-day. With reference to the report and accounts, I presume that, as usual, I may with your permission, take them as read, as they have now been in your hands for some days. I will not detain you long to-day with my remarks, but there are a few points of interest not mentioned in the report which I will proceed to touch on. I am glad to be able to tell you that we have fully profited by the recent advance in the price of raw rubber. The directors have received, at various times, many tempting offers to sell the crop in advance at what appeared to be attractive prices. We have, however, refused these offers, with the result that, at the present time, we are selling at prices that are very considerably in advance of what were current six months ago.

FORMATION OF THE CHEVIOT COMPANY.

Last year, your directors decided that, as the estate was becoming too large a task for one manager, it would be advisable to detach a portion of the cultivated area and jungle reserve to be taken over, worked and developed by a subsidiary company. This resulted in the formation of the Cheviot Rubber Co., with a capital of £50,000 nominal, of which £70,000 has been issued—30,000 fully-paid shares to this company and the balance to the public, upon which 5s. per share has been called up. The parent company thus retains the preponderating interest. I may mention that these shares have since very much appreciated in value, the party-paid now being saleable in the market at about £1 premium. As a result of the policy of forming this subsidiary company, the parent concern became immediately relieved of the necessity for providing the working capital for bringing into bearing the existing cultivated area of the Cheviot estate, and simultaneously the money has been furnished for the planting up of a large additional area. The cost of production has been 18½ p. lb. f.o.b. at Port Dickson, a figure that may be considered unduly high, and which may seem to you to require some explanation. The chief reason is that when our visiting agent, Mr. Malcolm Cumming, inspected the estate for the first time in February, 1909, he reported that the weeding in certain portions had been neglected. This obviously entailed a considerable increase of expenditure in order to have a state of affairs put right as speedily as possible. The directors, however, confidently anticipate that the cost of producing the company's rubber will now revert to a more normal figure.

CONDITION OF THE ESTATE.

The estate, I am glad to be able to tell you, is now in first-class order in every respect, as the following extracts from letters will show. From Col. Lambton, under date January 10:—You will be very pleased to hear that I have already been over the greater part of the estate and found all the fields absolutely clean. No half measures, and extremely good growth of rubber. Everything appears to be in excellent order. From Mr. Malcolm Cumming's last report, dated February 3:—I am glad to be able to report that this (s.s.) estate is now all in first class order, and the rubber in all the fields shows a very great improvement in growth. At the conclusion of the same report, Mr. Cumming, in referring to the management in an appreciative manner, states:—I may say that I consider the properties are being satisfactorily worked. Mr. Gray, our manager, in a letter dated March 3, says:—The new field tapped by Tamils is being done well, and now the yield is increasing. I may say that tapping has only just started on this field. Again, on March 3, which is the last letter we have received from him, he stated:—The trees (as is now referring to the whole estate) are in a state of very good health and yielding splendidly. The work entailed in bringing the estate into first class order led your directors to decide that further extensions should for the time being, be postponed, no work of this kind being undertaken except to plant up certain small areas, in order to round off the estate, which has now been completed. The labour force at present is quite sufficient, the daily outturn being 178, and the manager reports that recent recruiting has been satisfactory, as the following quotation from one of his letters will show:—I am doing all I can to establish a labour force for future requirements, and a number of recruits are at the coast for this purpose. The results this year seem to be much more satisfactory; some 30 coolies have arrived since January. The board attach great importance to the building up of an adequate and contented labour force. The health of the whole staff, European and native, is, of course, a matter of vital importance, and the hospital that was built last year has proved a great success. More attention has been given to sanitary matters, and a scheme is now on foot, to install a new water supply, the old one not being considered satisfactory. This is a good thing, not only for the health of the natives, but you also know that a great deal of water is required for washing the rubber. The question of the medical supervision of the hospital has been engaging the serious consideration of the board, and they have practically completed arrangements for this. In view of the constantly increasing output from the estate, the

directors are making every possible provision, by the purchase of up-to-date machinery and otherwise, to cope with this and to turn out a quality of rubber which they hope will always command top prices in the market.

ESTIMATED OUTPUT.

The output for 1910, as you will see from the report, is estimated at 200,000 lbs. or about 2½ times that of last year. The directors hope that this will be easily obtained. It may be of interest to remind shareholders that in the prospectus upon which this company was formed the estimated output for 1910, according to Mr. J. A. Macgregor, was only 73,000 lbs. The output to the end of March, 1910, was 38,163 lbs., as against 8,413 lbs. for the same time last year, which I think you will regard as being eminently satisfactory. The quality of the rubber sent home by our manager, Mr. Gray, leaves little to be desired, and reflects the greatest credit on himself and his staff. The following are the prices obtained by the company for its produce at the auction sales held on the 5th inst.:—45 cases at 11s 8d per lb., 3 cases at 11s 8d, 4 cases at 11s 6d, 3 cases at 11s 5½d, 4 cases at 10s, and 7 cases at 9s 8d per lb. That last figure is for the lowest quality of the rubber. We should have been very thankful to have got that price for our highest quality twelve months ago. 42,000 trees are now being tapped, and 25,872 are approaching tapping size. To show the personal interest the board take in your property, I may mention that two of your directors have visited the estate during the last twelve months, Colonel Lambton, your chairman, having spent a considerable time there, and Mr. Murray Bell, who is the alternate of the board of Mr. John Anderson, was able to pay a brief visit, and, as he is present to-day, I have no doubt you will be glad to hear any impression that he may have formed of the estate and its management. In conclusion, gentlemen, I may say that you have a very fine property, in excellent order, looked after by a manager who has proved his capacity for good and hard work. We owe a great deal both to him and our visiting agent, Mr. C. Malcolm Cumming, who has shown the keenest possible interest in the property, and, in fact, has done far more than the board could have expected him to do in the ordinary performance of his duties as visiting agent. As a token of their appreciation, a bonus has been voted to this gentleman, and also to the staff at Labu by the board and I have no doubt that you will fully endorse the action of the directors in this matter. (Hear, hear.) I now move: That the report of the directors, together with the statement of the company's accounts to December 31, 1909, duly audited, be received, approved and adopted. (Applause.)

MR. MURRAY BELL'S VISIT.

Mr. Murray Bell: After the opportunity you have had of perusing this company's balance-sheet and profit and loss account, and comparing it with our prospectus estimates, as well as of listening to the interesting and fully-informative speech of my colleague, the chairman of this meeting, Major Leather, I need hardly say that it affords me pleasure, both as a director of the company and a shareholder, to second the adoption of the report and accounts. The chairman has alluded to my recent visit to the company's property and the Cheviot Estate, in which it is interested, but I am afraid that my stay there was of so brief a duration that I can only give you a passing impression of what I was able to see in the time at my disposal to see. I would have made my visit a longer one, and gone more actively into affairs than I did, if it had not been that my friend, the chairman of this company, Col. Lambton, had already made a prolonged stay on the estate, and was likely, after a motor tour to other rubber properties with our visiting agent, Mr. Cumming, and myself, to return there again to confer and to settle with the manager and visiting agent arrangements affecting the present and future welfare of the company. I can, however, say that I had an opportunity of seeing some parts of the estate, and also the adjoining Cheviot property. I was much pleased with all that I saw and heard of these estates. I further had an opportunity of making the acquaintance of your manager, and the impression which I gained of him was a satisfactory one. I believe that in him you have an experienced, capable and keen planter, zealous in every way to promote your interest, an asset which, as I know by a not inconsiderable connection with the East, now extending over a period of some 20 years, is of paramount importance for the proper conduct of business there. You may have, as we have, an ideal estate in respect of its general suitability for cultivation of rubber—in fact, possessing everything in the way of the natural elements of success—but if the man at the helm on the estate does not possess the requisite qualifications to make the most of these, you may easily find yourselves lagging behind, and not, as we now happily are, in the forefront of rubber-producing companies in British Malaya. In our visiting agent, Mr. Malcolm Cumming, you have a tour de force. Owing to the close proximity of the Labu Estate to the sphere of his more immediate work, he has been able to advise Mr. Gray generally in a way which no ordinary visiting agent could have done, and in any need of praise, therefore, which you may bestow on our manager—and I say this without, of course, in the slightest degree depreciating the admirable work which the latter has done—you must not forget the debt of gratitude which the company owes to Mr. Cumming for the invaluable service which he has rendered, and I am sure that no one could more cordially endorse this than our manager himself. In concluding my remarks, I need only say that I returned from my visit to the company's estates very favourably impressed with everything I had seen. You have a magnificent property—one which has already surpassed our most sanguine anticipations, and which shows every indication, even should the price of rubber recede very considerably from its present level, of maintaining its capacity for paying handsome

dividends to its shareholders. I have much pleasure in recording the adoption of the report and accounts, as proposed by the chairman. (Applause.) Subsequently, the Chairman moved: That a final dividend of 1½ p. cent. be now declared out of the net profits of the company for the year ending December 31, 1909, and that the sum of £13,911 17s 11d, being the profit realised by this company on the sale of a portion of its property to the Cheviot Rubber Company Limited, be transferred to reserve account.

The motion was adopted. Colonel the Hon. Charles Lambton and Mr. John Anderson were re-elected directors, and Messrs. Gibson and Anderson were reappointed auditors.

At an extraordinary general meeting held prior to the meeting above reported, resolutions were passed providing that the 100,000 fully-paid shares of £1 each in the capital of the company be subdivided into 1,000,000 fully-paid shares of 1s. each, and making certain alterations in the articles of association giving the company power to issue bearer warrants.

Consignees.

S.S. "TOURANE."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex s.s. *Corouin*, from Havre and Bordeaux ex s.s. *Ville de Rochefort*, in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns or extra Godowns Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 3 P.M. TO-DAY, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned, Goods remained unclaimed after the 16th May, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 18th May, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on 17th May, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

P. THOMAS,
Agent.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1910.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. O.'s Steamer

"JAPAN."

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 6 hours.

Goods not cleared by the 15th instant, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1910.

FROM EUROPE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"SENEGAMBIA."

Captain Eckhorn, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained against Bills of Lading countersigned by the Undersigned.

Optional Cargo will be carried on unless instructions to the contrary be given before TO-DAY.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 11th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 10th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

THIS STEAMER BRINGS CARGO:—

Ex s.s. *France* from Antwerp.

Ex s.s. *Berlin* from Bordeaux.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,

Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1910.

BANK LINE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "OCEANO,"

FROM TAQOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 10th May, 1910.

Intimations

A FAIR EXCHANGE.

Large sums of money are no doubt realized from simple speculation, but the *great* fortunes are derived from legitimate and honest business—where the goods furnished are worth the price they bring. Certain famous business men have accumulated their millions wholly in this way. Prompt and faithful in every contract or engagement they enjoy the confidence of the public and command a class of trade that is refused to unstable or tricky competitors. In the long run it does not pay to cheat or deceive others. Even a child or a dog soon learns to distinguish between real friends and foes in disguise. A humbug may be advertised with a noise like the blowing of a thousand trumpets, but it is soon detected and exposed. The manufacturers of

WAMPOL'S PREPARATION have always acted on very different principles. Before offering it to the public they first made sure of its merits. Then, and then only, did its name appear in print. People were assured of what it would do, and found the statement truthful. To-day they believe in it as we all believe in the word of a tried and trusted friend. It is palatable as honey and contains all the nutritive and curative properties of Pure Cod Liver Oil, extracted by us from fresh cod livers, combined with the Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites and the Extracts of Malt and Wild Cherry. It aids digestion, drives impurities from the blood and cures Anemia, Scrofula, Debility, Influenza, Throat and Lung Troubles, and Wasting Complaints. Dr. Louis W. Bishop says: "I take pleasure in saying I have found it a most efficient preparation, embodying all of the medicinal properties of a pure cod liver oil in a most palatable form." It stands in the front rank in the march of medicine. It is a scientific remedy and a food, with a delicious taste and flavour. No slow or doubtful action. "It cannot disappoint you." Sold by all chemists.

BANK HOLIDAY.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875 the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the transaction of Public Business on MONDAY, the 16th instant, *WHIT MONDAY*.

Hongkong, 10th May, 1910.

FRENCH STORE.

NOTICE.

We beg to inform our numerous customers and the public in general that we have been appointed Agent for the "CREME SIMON" and all Simon's Products for Toilet Requisites, Perfumery, Powder, Soap, etc.

INSPECTION SOLICITED.

Hongkong, 21st January, 1910.

PABST EXTRACT.

THE best TONIC for keeping in perfect health in the Tropics.

It is a liquid food in predigested form, containing all the bracing, soothing and toning effects of the choicest hops. Nearly Non-alcoholic.

Highly recommended by the local medical profession in cases of Debility after Malaria, from overwork or other causes, Anemia, Nervousness or Dyspepsia. Samples on application.

ALSO JUST RECEIVED—

FABST (American) BEER, in barrels of 120 bottles. In view of the arrival of the American fleet in a few days, please order early, as our stock is limited.

SIEMSEN & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1909.

Consignees

AMERICAN AND MANCHURIAN LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Steamship

"KASAMA,"

Captain Percall, having arrived from the above Port, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on FRIDAY, 13th inst., at 3 P.M.

All Claims must be presented within fifteen days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 13th instant, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 7th May, 1910.

Intimation.



A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

MANUFACTURERS OF
HIGH CLASS
AERATED
WATERS.

THIS SEASON'S PRICES:

	PER DOZ.
Soda Water	50 Cents.
Soda Water (Bomby bottles)	60 "
Potash, Selzer & B. P. Soda	60 "
Lemonade	65 "
Tonic Water	75 "
Lithia Water	75 "
Ginger Ale	75 "
Sarsaparilla	75 "
Orange Champagne	75 "
Lemon Squash	75 "
Raspberryade	75 "

SPECIALITIES:

Steele Ginger Beer	85 Cents.
Dry Ginger Ale, Pints 5; Splits 6	
Lime Fruit Cham-pagne	Pints 5; Splits 6

Bottles will be charged for at the Rate of \$1.20, per dozen, and credited in full on being returned in good condition.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

HONGKONG and KOWLOON.
Hongkong, 30th April, 1910.

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DEATH.

On May 6, 1910, at Shanghai, Simeon Hughes Moseley, of the Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., aged 24 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MAY 12, 1910.

THE HEALTH OF HONGKONG.

What makes a port infected? What event in a port must happen, and what must be its condition, before the officials responsible for the health and safety of other places consider themselves justified in declaring it infected? We have always believed that it was necessary for some infectious disease to have declared itself, and be actually raging in a town, before other ports put it under the ban. Ports where an endemic disease regularly at certain seasons becomes endemic are harshly judged, and only a few cases will bring upon it the disgrace of being declared infected. This may be said to have brought upon itself by its past conduct. Still, evidence of present disease there must be; you can't hang 1910 for last year's murders. How many cases of plague would warrant a declaration that Hongkong is infected with that disease? Ten cases? Or five? Or three? Or one? Or none at all? We ask this question because it is obviously necessary to know how many cases of a disease are requisite, in the opinion of the Authorities at Batavia, to infect a town and harbour. We know the high reputation enjoyed by our busy cousins the Dutch for sound sense and practical ability. We are accustomed to see very plainly their motives, and the causes of any action they take—as a rule, *ceteris paribus*. But here we fail to understand on what grounds they acted. No cases

of plague at all would not, we think, force us to condemn another port as plague infected. In 1892, if we remember rightly, cholera swept through Hamburg. Was that beautiful and prosperous city condemned, by any, London or Antwerp the following year as cholera-infected? We think not, and at all events are sure that if this was done, it was on account of present, not past, cholera cases. We note, with thanks, the courteous information from Mr. de Roux, the Netherlands Consul-General in Hongkong, that he had been kind enough to telegraph to the Authorities of the Netherlands-Indian Government pointing out that since the 1st of May no case of plague had occurred here, and expressing the hope that if this absence of evidence of crime continued the punishment might be discontinued. These were not the actual words of the Netherlands Consul-General. We learned yesterday that a person suffering from plague contracted in Canton was here; but in no country on earth, as far as we know, could that be brought against us. This is the old story of the poor dog with a bad name. It is true that at this season we ought by all rules to be suffering from plague in our midst; but thanks to the admirable efficiency of our doctors, that is to say, our Health Officers and the officials of our Sanitary Department, we happen to be perfectly well. Please, say we, in future do not do us what they did to the dog—take us first and try us afterwards.

BOY SCOUTS.

Sir Henry May's speech yesterday evening will be read with deep interest by the parents of Hongkong, and we hope, by a large number of our boys. Many of us will sigh, with him, that when we were boys nobody thought of organising brigades for us. Times have advanced indeed, and infinitely for the better. The Rev. H. O. Spink has organized a Boy's Brigade at Kowloon, and under his experienced guidance a company of our rising generation will be given the advantage of what His Excellency calls "a mission amongst boys to organize them and teach them useful knowledge, athletics and games, and to assist them to learn obedience and discipline, to become clean, strong and upright men." Sir Henry was followed by Colonel St. John, the officer commanding the troops in South China, who in a few admirable and manly words laid stress on His Excellency's advice to boys about their bodies, pointing out that to keep them well and clean as well as their minds, was to extend the Kingdom of the Best Man of all. Cleanliness and vigour of body do indeed make for purity and strength of mind, and this "Scout" system of training invented and established by General Sir R. S. Baden-Powell develops also a sense of honour and respect for all noble and fair things which add new joys to boyhood while lending it a graciousness and even a dignity which it too often lacks in the absence of those virtues, or in their imperfect possession and realization. For a really fine boy will generally make a really fine man, and this "Scout" system is an ideal training to that end. We would not seem ungrateful or churlish, or fault-finding; but it is not a little to be regretted that this Scout movement in Hongkong should be associated with anything like sectarianism. We welcome most warmly Mr. Spink's kind offices, but could they not have been secured without even the appearance of the Church's shadow. We note that some others interested in the scout movement met yesterday evening at the schoolroom of the Union Church? We cannot but approve of every scout organization, but we deplore the plain fact that the two first of these are associated with religious and sectarian activity, and that one should have already received the blessing of our Government while the other was still out in the cold of a Union Church schoolroom. We should like Boy Scouts to be wholly unsectarian, unconnected as Boy Scouts with any religious body, though individually and personally devout Christians and sincere members of whatever sect they adhere to.

PRESTIGE.

So British prestige has declined, we are told, and we are to believe that it was never lower than it is to-day. British prestige! What is prestige? It is the awe inspired by the shadow of the great. It is that which makes men take off their hats on entering a church, and it is that, not only custom, which makes a sailor salute the quarter-deck. It is that which men feel in the presence of power. The shadow cast by Britain is very great. There are many kinds of power within it. We share with Mr. Bland and many other critics the opinion that not only members of the China Association but all patriotic British subjects with interests out here ought "to co-ordinate the various forces which work for the protection of British interests," and that a policy of *laissez faire* is harmful. We hold that our true policy is "without any suspicion of hostility, in a dignified and systematic manner to push and press for legitimate British interests in cases where they cannot be secured by the ordinary methods of friendly relations." Our policy ought indeed to be "one of publicity and pressure"—publi-

city, honest laying of facts, without unnecessary concealment, before the "man in the street," and pressure in inducing the Government to take an active interest in and vigorously to assist British trade and commerce in the Far East. At the annual meeting of the China Association Mr. Bland proposed an amendment on the report which was not only a declaration of the continued decline of British prestige in China, but practically a vote of censure on the committee of the Association. Mr. George Jamieson, some time H.B.M. Consul-General in Shanghai, a critic to whose utterances the greatest weight must always be given, appealed to Mr. Bland to withdraw this amendment. So did Mr. Gundry and others. Eventually it was lost by a large majority, not however because the members denied the facts adduced by Mr. Bland, nor the desirability of pursuing such a policy as he, and we, too, advocated. The amendment was lost because it was a vote of censure, because it charged the committee with dereliction of duty. It was also urged with some force that to "promote lectures, publish articles and impress upon the British public the alleged fact that British prestige was on the wane" would cost money; and that the China League which had been formed to pursue a policy of propaganda came to an untimely end through debt. The inadvisability of publishing certain despatches and "leaps of documents" was also mentioned. Now with the internal affairs of the Association we have no concern, and we imagine that the large majority of the members judged rightly in rejecting a vote of censure on which they ought to be best qualified to decide. But we are interested in Mr. George Jamieson's declaration that it would be most desirable if the Association could carry out the spirit of the amendment. This is our view, and we are strongly confirmed in it by the remarks of the chairman, Sir Charles Dudgeon, who actually went further, and voted with Mr. Bland. Sir Charles Dudgeon and Mr. Bland have both declared, for a policy of "publicity and pressure," and Mr. George Jamieson has approved of this in spirit, while deprecating its expense. We would, while adhering to this policy, only demur to the use of one word, as meaning too much. We have no doubt neglected our trade interests in the Far East, and no doubt we have been weak. We have gained no ground, and may perhaps have lost a little. But it does not follow that because the Peking Government knows quite well that we shall not march an army on the capital, and because Provincial Viceroyals realize that we shall not send gunboats to blow their yamens to matchwood our prestige has therefore declined. *Non sequitur*. We are held in less fear, but a decline in fear might, under conceivable circumstances, accompany an increase of our prestige. Moreover, where a dying system and a changing Government may not fear Great Britain a people may—and do. "He is merciful, therefore is he to be feared." Let Britain's influence continue to make itself felt after the method used by our lamented King rather than by that of a hand gnawed by war. *Swaviter in modo, fortior in re*; he who works with gentle hand and firm, never violent, always placing the right pressure on the right spot, will be a successful workman.

Publicity, therefore, without indiscretion, pressure without violence—let this be our policy, and if Great Britain continues to be great, great will be her shadow, great her prestige.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE *s.s. Tai O* came in from Kowloon yesterday afternoon with her bow plates somewhat badly damaged.

A CASE of plague, the seventh this year, has occurred at No. 3, Tsi Hong Lane, third floor. The patient is a Chinaman.

TWENTY-five deportees arrived by the *s.s. Glenafalloch* from Singapore this morning and were shortly afterwards sent back to their homes.

SIX weeks' hard labour was awarded a braman this morning for stealing a ton of coal from a lighter belonging to the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha at Yau-mai-ti.

A CHINESE was fined \$50 or two months' hard labour at the Magistracy this morning for selling opium without a licence at No. 17, Cochrane Street.

A MAN was committed for trial at the Magistracy this morning for kidnapping a child. The victim was some time ago kidnapped by three men and brought over from Kowloon to Hongkong.

A NATIVE youth was awarded one week's hard labour and six hours' stocks at the Magistracy this morning for stealing a quantity of clothing at Tai-kok-tai. The thief appropriated the articles by climbing through the roof of a house.

ADVICES from Messrs. Calbeck MacGregor, & Co. in London to their Hongkong office state that they have been appointed purveyors to the House of Lords and House of Commons for their V.O.S. and Extra Special Liqueur Whisky. Facsimiles of appointments and orders may be seen at their office. We have received samples of these whiskies from that well-known firm of wine and spirit merchants. The "brands" are so widely and popularly known that it would be almost superfluous to recommend them to thirsty souls after a good "Scotch".

MR. Frederick W. Mager, A.M., Jost, C.E. (of the Federated Malay States), has been elected a Fellow of the Royal Colonial Institute.

DURING the month of March, the health authorities in England rejected no fewer than 17,000 carcasses of pigs imported from China for food.

MR. GEORGE BROWN, of the Peking Syndicate, and Mr. North, consulting engineer to the Syndicate, left Peking for the Honan mines, a few days ago.

THERE are 161 societies registered in the Settlement of Penang under the Societies Ordinance 1909, and 50 societies, exempted from registration.

THE Rajah of Sarawak (Sir Charles Brooke), who spent the winter at his hunting-box near Cirencester, in Gloucestershire, has left England on his return to Borneo.

THE marriage of Mr. J. Lelas, I. M. Customs, Hankow, and Miss G. Johns was celebrated before Consul-General E. H. Fraser, C. M. G., in Hankow, on the 2nd inst.

WE have received from Messrs. Ainsbold, Karberg and Co. the report of the Fatum Accident Insurance Co., and from Messrs. Sander, Wisler and Co. that of the Magdeburg Fire Insurance Co.

STAFF Surgeon C. B. Fairbank joins the cruiser *Flora* of China Squadron. Staff Surgeon C. B. Fairbank has spent 12 years in the medical department of the fleet, and was promoted staff surgeon four years ago.

ACCORDING to the *Jewish World*, a Hebrew club has been started in London, the object of which is to promote the use of Hebrew as a spoken language by means of informal social gatherings at which Hebrew will be the general medium of intercourse.

SIR Robert Bredon arrived in Shanghai unexpectedly on 6th inst. from Peking, having travelled down by way of Hankow and Nanking—34 hours in all from the Capital. He proceeded to the Palace Hotel and will probably remain there during his sojourn in town.

A TIENTSIN message states that the British, American, German and French merchants in Tientsin have been entertaining the Chinese Commissioner of the Navy every day lately, with a view to securing orders for building men-of-war for the Chinese Navy.

AN inquest was held at the City Coroner's Court on the body of Sasson Elazar, 22, who committed suicide by strangling himself in a cell at the Old Bailey. The jury returned a verdict of "Suicide," adding that there was no evidence to show Elazar's state of mind.

THE Deli-Courant Company, Limited, made in 1909 a net profit of £12,924, so that a dividend of 5 per cent. will be declared. Further, a dividend of 7½ per cent. will be paid by the Kali Babor Sugar Manufactory, 13.54 per cent. by the Poerwakerio Sugar Manufactory, and 17 per cent. by the Bangkok Culture Company.

KOSMEE, the famous Bond-Street (London) beauty doctor, has just executed an extraordinary commission. He has tattooed a portrait of the King on a gentleman's bald head. The rest of his body has also been covered with beautiful designs by Kosmee, and the whole of this sort of work in existence.

REPORTS have reached Shanghai from Kuling that there are a large number of foreign refugees from Changsha and neighbouring places at the moment in that resort, awaiting the settling down of the populace in Hunan before returning to their work. The road between Kiukiang and Kuling is progressing rapidly, and is expected to be in fair order before the annual rush to Kuling takes place.

MUCH indignation has been aroused at Stockholm by a report of the Swedish Board of Sanitation, which has just been issued. The members of the board had been for some time engaged in analysing samples of the tea for sale in the markets, and it seems that many of the brands were adulterated to an incredible extent, some even containing quantities of live insects. Prosecutions will doubtless follow in due course.

THE King has been pleased to give and grant unto Mr. William Balfour, manager of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company at Shanghai, His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to accept and wear the insignia of the Third Class of the First Division of the Imperial Order of the Double Dragon, conferred upon him by His Majesty the Emperor of China, in recognition of valuable services rendered by him.

NEGOTIATIONS with a view to develop Austro-Hungarian relations with the Far East are pending between the general manager of the Austro-Hungarian Lloyd and Mr. G. Tshikawa, the Hamburg representative of the Japanese firm of Mitsui and Co., who has come to Vienna on the invitation of the Minister of Commerce. The firm of Mitsui and Co., it is stated, intends to extend its field of operations to the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy and to develop the commercial exchanges between this country and the Far East. It is reported that a very satisfactory result has been arrived at in the negotiations.

EVEN in the Portuguese Indian possessions of Goa rubber is being discussed. Our Consul there says that in 1908 an experimental plantation of Para and Ceara rubber trees was started by the Government, and the experience, up to the present is promising. The trees, two years after the date of sowing, are healthy, and have gained a height above the average for their age. Some experiments have been made with manures, and that with fish manure has shown that the growth is very rapid under this treatment. Ceara trees treated with fish manure will, he adds, judging from their size to-day, reach maturity at three years instead of four to six years. This sounds a tall order.

The King's Death.

ROYAL THANKS.

SECRETARY OF STATE'S TELEGRAMS.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has received to-day the following telegram from the Secretary of State for the Colonies in reply to the resolution passed by the Legislative Council expressing sympathy with Their Majesties on the occasion of the death of King Edward the Seventh:—

"GOVERNOR, Hongkong.
"Your telegram dated the 9th May has been laid before Their Majesties, and I am commanded to convey Their Majesties' heartfelt thanks for loyal and dutiful message of sympathy with them in their great bereavement.

"(Sd.), CREWE."
The following later telegram was communicated to us for publication:—
COURT MOURNING.

"GOVERNOR, Hongkong.
"Court mourning will last until May 6, 1910. It is expected that public will wear decent mourning from May 12; duration not fixed yet. "King Edward's funeral will take place on morning of May 20th."
"(Sd.), CREWE."

WAGLAN LIGHTHOUSE.

REDUCED TO SHORT COMMONS.

The long continued drought is making itself felt, not actually within the Island itself, at any rate in its immediate vicinity. The light-houses depend for their water supply upon the rain which is collected in tanks and stored for the lightkeepers' use. Owing to the small rainfall this year the available supply on Waglan Island has been steadily giving out, so that the keepers and the Chinese staff quartered on the island have had to be reduced to short commons in respect of their water supply. The quantity in storage will hold out until the end of the week only, and requisition has had, accordingly, to be made to Hongkong for a fresh supply to replenish the depleted tanks. We understand that arrangements have been made to provide the lightkeepers at Waglan with a sufficient supply of the natural element in order to tide them over the present shortage.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

ANNUAL REPORT.

The annual general meeting of the Society was held in the City Hall at 5.15 p.m., to-day. The report is as follows:—
The committee beg to present their fifth annual report.

The annual flower and vegetable show was held in the Botanic Gardens on the 8th and 9th of March, 1910, the date being fixed by a "reference" to those who exhibited at the previous show. The weather was unfavourable, the fortnight before the show being cold and cloudy, the first day of the show fair and the second wet. The exhibits of flowers from the lower levels were fully up to previous years, those from the Peak, however, showed the effects of the inclement weather. The vegetables both from the Peak and lower levels showed a decided advance both in quality and number of entries over previous years.

The following table gives a comparative statement of the entries, &c., for the last four shows:—

Year	Exhibitors	Classes	Prizes Won	Number of Exhibitors	Highest number of prizes won by one exhibitor
1907	651	55	134	150	34
1908	472	41	102	149	29
1909	485	49	95	167	37
1910	524	46	98	152	40

The judges were Messrs. J. Barton, D. W. Craddock, H. Humphreys and W. J. Tutchter. For the garden Mrs. Prewin and Messrs. H. H. Gompertz, L. Gibbs, and H. W. Looker, and for the table decorations and bouquets Mrs. Looker and Miss Bryer.

The thanks of the Society are due to the following who kindly presented prizes or contributed to the prize fund, H. E. Sir Frederick Lugard, H. E. Major-General Broadwood, Sir Paul Carter, Messrs. J. Barton, D. D'Arby, Ho Kom Tong, Ho Fook, Lau Chu Pak, Leung Tin Po, H. W. Looker, L. Gibbs, Wong Kam Fook, Mrs. Ho Tung and Mrs. Van Buren.

The statement of accounts—considering that the first day of the show was also the date fixed for a popular polo match and that the second day was wet—is decidedly satisfactory showing that, for the first year since its formation, the Society has all but paid its way.

The committee wish briefly to refer to rumours which have reached them to the effect that the rule which specifies that exhibits shall have been in the possession of the exhibitor for at least six weeks, but in some cases been in existence. Owing to the difficulty of obtaining any adequate proof of such a case the show is over and the prizes distributed, and to the possibility that the wrong may have been done by the exhibitor's gardener without the knowledge of the exhibitor, the committee do not now propose to take any action in the matter beyond appealing to all members who exhibit to do their best to uphold the reputation of the Society by a strict adherence to its rules.

The committee have to deplore the loss through death of two of their number, Mr. Choo Leep and Mrs. L. Gibbs.
MANY brokers and mixing-lane merchants are celebrating the prosperous Rubber times by giving dinner and theatre parties to their friends. For one rubber dinner party in a leading hotel the following special menu was suggested by an enterprising broker:—Hotties Yam Seng; Consommé Cheronese; Anglo-Malayanese; Jagra Hare, Kuala Lumpur Agaveau; Pommes de Palatine; Duck; Rajah's Pearls Tremalby; Vallambrosa; Ice; Wine; Marlmann Sagarat.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.)

QUESTION OF MOURNING.

To THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."
Dear Sir,—I am quite tired of being ragged about not being in mourning. This forenoon two very young men of the "goody goody" kind talked "at" me all the way on the ferry from Kowloon, because I was in white clothes and had no sign of mourning. Now to begin with how can they know that I am not an American or a German or a Tierra del Fuego? Then if I were an Aberdeen Scotchman, what mourning should I wear? My white jacket closes at the throat, so I wear no tie, and a cravat band, such as some people wear for a relative, might cost \$1.50. And where are we to draw the line? Must I buy black-edged paper? Must the Chinese-British subjects wear black? I say, let those who like black coats wear them; if they are British, and must. But please don't ignorantly throw sass at—Yours truly,

"TOTHER GOVERNOR."

Hongkong, 12th May.
[We would refer our correspondent to the Secretary of State's telegram published elsewhere in this issue.—Ed.—H.K.T.]

A GINGER DISPUTE.

CLAIM AND COUNTERCLAIM.

Before Mr. Justice Haselard, Acting Pui-lee Judge, in the Summary Court this morning, the Sam Shing Wo Hing Kee firm, of Des Voeux Road, sued the Wing On Company, also of Des Voeux Road, to recover the sum of \$924.78, amount due for goods sold and delivered, to wit, preserved ginger. Mr. F. P. Hett appeared for the plaintiffs and Mr. J. H. Gardiner for the defendants. Defendants' counterclaim for the sum of \$684.74.

Mr. Gardiner said he did not know whether his friend was entitled to open, as he had a counterclaim which exceeded the amount of plaintiff's claim.

His Lordship said Mr. Hett was entitled to open.

Mr. Gardiner said he was also a plaintiff. He was entitled to open and have the final word.

His Lordship said he never heard of such a thing and held that Mr. Hett was clearly entitled to open.

Mr. Gardiner said that the defendants admitted a portion of the claim.

Mr. Hett submitted that on his friend's own showing he was entitled to open.

His Lordship upheld Mr. Hett. Mr. Hett in opening said that the plaintiffs were a very well-known firm who dealt in ginger and who were established in the Colony for a great number of years. The claim was for \$912. The defence had been filed by the defendants, who claimed that a greater sum was due to them. On the 20th July, defendants ordered some cases of ginger which were shipped to Australia and subsequently 30, 30 and 50 cases were sold. He then dealt with the counterclaim but he did not propose to discuss it a question of counterclaim, because he was going to ask his Lordship to enter judgment in his favour on the claim and his friend could then proceed with the counterclaim.

Mr. Gardiner said he could not understand why eight tins of ginger should have been put in 1-lb. tins, as appeared in the statement of claim.

Mr. Hett said it was very significant that his friend should have pointed out that fact to him. For some extraordinary reason, the defendants had asked them to put eight tins of ginger in 1-lb. tins and the fact was mentioned in the contract. They simply complied with defendants' request.

Mr. Gardiner—My friend must not make *ex-parte* statements.

Mr. Hett—I shall prove it.

Proceeding, Mr. Hett stated that the defence as it stood was no defence at all. He did not know what his friend wished to set up—breach of warranty or breach of agreement, because he did not plead it. But even if he did, it would still be no defence, as the moment the defendants took delivery of the goods and shipped them to Australia, any breach of agreement, if there was any, would merely amount to a breach of warranty and the only remedy which defendants could have was an action for damages but they could not repudiate the contract.

His Lordship entered judgment for the plaintiffs on the claim and reserved the question of costs.

The counterclaim was then taken. Mr. Gardiner said that when the tins containing the ginger arrived in Australia, the traders refused to take delivery, as they said the 1-lb. tins only contained eight tins of ginger.

Mr. Hett—My Lord, as I have already said, we were asked by the defendants to put eight tins of ginger in 1-lb. tins, evidently, with the object of deceiving somebody.

Mr. Gardiner—I shall show they were not intended to deceive anybody.

James Locke, the managing partner of the defendant firm, stated that at first he ordered larger tins but shortly afterwards he changed his mind, as he found the tins difficult to sell in Australia. He finally ordered seven or eight-lb. tins. It was not the usual practice in Australia to sell one-pound tins of ginger as containing one pound of ginger, whether they contained one pound or not but sometimes ginger was sold in smaller than 1-lb. tins. In those cases, the customer was told the weight of ginger the tins contained. The smallest amount of ginger which was put in 1-lb. tins was six tins.

The hearing was adjourned.

TYPHOON WARNING.

Monks, May 12th, 1910.

12.30 noon.

Cyclone or Typhoon located in E. Longitude 30° N. Latitude almost stationary. Another Cyclone or Typhoon near or over the Western Caroline Islands. W. or N.W.

SHANGHAI CHAMPIONS.

A JOCKEY'S OPINION.

The following letters appear in the N. C. D. News of 7th inst.:

Sir,—As the objection to Marbles in the Champions has made a very painful impression generally, I think those witnessing the race would like to hear a jockey's opinion, and from one who was riding in the race, and always well-up.

There is no doubt about it, that Marbles entered the last quarter 6-7 lengths in front of any other pony.

Next round the Bend was myself on Sagittarius, Spring Rose right close beside me.

As we entered the straight, I saw that Marbles was making for the dry ground on the outside.

I was of the opinion that Marbles had made his effort and would come back to us. A great mistake, he kept on.

I made straight down the middle of the course; Spring Rose followed Marbles and also made off to the left for the outside.

For over two thirds of the last quarter no material change took in the relative distances between the ponies. Marbles had by this time come well out on the outside, so had Spring Rose.

As we gradually neared the Winning Post, both Spring Rose and myself had come up to about within 3 lengths of Marbles, when all of a sudden I saw Marbles stagger and swerve slightly.

Spring Rose noticed it also, as we both made desperate efforts to catch Marbles; but I am absolutely convinced and positive in my own mind, that no effort could have passed Marbles in the short distance before the Winning Post was reached, in such heavy going, even if both ponies had run straight. And in my opinion, from a sporting point of view, the name of Marbles must go down as The Unbeaten Pony of the Spring Meeting of 1910.

I am sorry for my special owner, Mr. Nash and for Mr. Springfield who has so unfortunately lost his first Champion.

I am, etc.,
ERIC MOLLER,
Rider of Sagittarius.

To the Editor of the

"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS."

Sir,—May I inquire under what circumstances the third place in the Champions was awarded to Spring Cup, as I understand the rider did not "weigh in" after the race, which is necessary under Newmarket Rules, by which I believe our races are conducted?

Enclosing my card,
I am, etc.,

LOTTERY.

In regard to the complaint lodged against Marbles in the Champions it would have been obvious to any one, if the Stewards had issued with their note of disqualification an explanation of the incident, in view of the double swerve made by Marbles. The swerve complained of took place within a few lengths of the winning post, and was seen clearly from the Stewards' Box. It is claimed that the swerve, however unintentional, threw Spring Rose out of his stride and caused him to lose the ground which would have placed him ahead of Marbles at the post. The popular idea that the complaint was lodged against a technical breach merely on the part of Marbles thus fills to the ground, and it is only fair to Spring Rose's jockey, Mr. C. B. B. to state that in the absence of the pony's owner he felt obliged to lodge an objection. We regret that the name of Sir Paul Chater should have been given as the owner of Spring Rose, as we learn that he has no longer any interest in Mr. Buxey's stable.—Ed.

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 10th May.
On the 9th instant a general meeting of shareholders of the Canton-Hankow Railway Company was held at the company's office for the purpose of electing, by ballot, a president, a vice-president and a board of directors of the company. Besides a large number of shareholders, there were also present Admiral Li Chun, the Provincial Treasurer, Chao Kwei Lin, the Provincial Judge, Chiu Yun Yiu, Tantai Wong Ping Yau, the Taoist for the Development of Native Industries, the Taoist of Consular and the two district Magistrates of Nantao and Panyu. The ballot papers were opened in the presence of the officials. The names of the first twenty men having the largest number of votes will be forwarded to the Ministry of Posts and Communications at Peking and from among them one will be selected by the Ministry to be president, one to be vice-president and seven others to complete the board. Mr. Chim Tinn Yau headed the list, having secured 1,463 votes. It is pleasant to state that on this occasion the meeting was conducted in a perfectly orderly manner and there was no dispute or disturbance of any kind like those at the previous meetings of the company.

SIR CHEN TUNG.

A few days ago at the request of the public and more especially of the shareholders of the Canton-Hankow Railway Company, the Canton Self-Government Society forwarded a telegram to the Ministry of Posts and Communications and other high authorities at Peking asking them to defer the departure of Sir Chen Tung Liang Cheng for Germany to take up his new appointment as Chinese Minister, pending the completion of the examination of the accounts of the Canton-Hankow Railway Company by the official auditors as Sir Chen Tung was formerly president of the Railway Company and could clear up any doubts arising out of the audit of the accounts of the Company. Yesterday H. E. V. C. Yau received a telegram from the Ministry of Posts and Communications instructing him to severely reprimand the members of the Self-Government Society for the unseemly attitude they had taken up in the matter.

THE MERCANTILE BANK.

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of this Bank, was held at Winchester House, Old Broad Street, London, E.C., on Tuesday, the 5th day of April, Mr. R. J. Black, presiding.

The Chairman said the year 1909 was not one in which great results could be expected. Money was cheap, margins in exchange were poor, and for the greater part of the year trade with India and the further East was below normal, and therefore the opportunities of profitably employing our funds were more or less restricted. Considering the circumstances, however, I think the profit and loss account for the year may be looked upon as quite satisfactory. (Hear, hear.) We are able to recommend a continuance of a 6 per cent. dividend on both the "A" and "B" Shares, to increase our reserve fund by £35,000, bringing it up now to £285,000, which is more than half the paid-up capital of the Bank, and to carry forward to 1910, £26,030, ss. 8d. I do not think the balance sheet calls for any special comment from me beyond remarking that current accounts and fixed deposits have increased by £94,995, and the figures throughout the statement indicate a general expansion of business, which I hope, with the more favourable influences which seem likely to prevail this year, may enable us to take full advantage of the increased resources we have now at our command. You will notice in the report that we have opened a branch at Rangoon and a sub-branch at Kuala Lumpur. Extension to Rangoon has become, I may say, almost a natural sequel to our business in India. Kuala Lumpur is a growing centre of trade and appears likely to develop into one of some importance, and we hope that both these branches will in time be sources of additional strength and profit to the Bank.

Mr. D. Yule moved—That Mr. R. J. Black and Mr. J. A. Maitland, the Directors retiring from the Board in rotation, be re-elected Directors. Mr. H. Melville Simons seconded and the motion was carried.

Messrs Cooper Bros. and Co., Messrs W. G. Brown and Co. were re-elected auditors and a vote of thanks was passed to the staff.

THE EASTERN BANK, LTD.

The statutory meeting of the members of the Eastern Bank, Limited, was held on 13th ult. at the registered office of the company, 9, Fenchurch Avenue, E.C., Lord Balfour of Burleigh, K.T., presiding.

The Secretary (Mr. Joseph Ware) having read the notice convening the meeting and the report of the auditors,

The Chairman said:—

Gentlemen,—I have to state that, in conformity with the Companies Act, the list of shareholders is on the table. It falls to me to move that our first report, which has been circulated, be adopted. I do not know that I can add much to it, except just to say, in the first place, that I feel very highly honoured by being trusted to be in the position of chairman of this bank, and I can only assure you that so far as I am concerned—and I believe in that I can speak for my colleagues as well as for myself—our very best services will be placed at the disposal of the institution in which we are all interested and which, I think I may venture to say, has begun with every hope and prospect of success. This meeting will naturally not expect that much should have been done in the way which you can really be told; this is a formal meeting, and is held in conformity with the requirements of the statute. As a matter of fact, we have appointed a manager for London, Mr. F. H. Sutton, who is present, and also one for Bombay. Mr. Anderson will be the manager in Bombay. He comes from Hongkong now, but was formerly in Bombay. He knows Bombay and its requirements well, and we believe we have made a most satisfactory appointment. The Bombay office was actually opened for business in the beginning of March; it is situated in Gresham-buildings, Esplanade Road. We are going on recruiting our staff. Most of such officers as we require at the moment have either been appointed or will very shortly be appointed. Officers have been taken at No. 4, Crosby-square; they are being fitted up under proper contracts, and we hope and believe they will be ready in a few weeks, probably long before we have to call our shareholders together again.

As I have indicated, the prospects of doing satisfactory business are good, and, in fact, we have but last week resolved that it will be necessary to call for further funds. We propose to call £2 per share, which, as you all know as well as I do, will amount to a sum of £200,000, and this call will be made immediately. You may expect in the course of the next few days to receive the notices. They must, of course, be simultaneously sent out both here and in Bombay, and therefore we must wait the necessary amount of time until our mail gets out to Bombay before the notices are sent out here. I think I have nothing to add except that a Stock Exchange quotation has been granted, and, in short, in other words, we have taken all the preliminary steps which you would expect us to take, and I hope we shall have more information to give you when next we meet. As I have told you, this is only a formal meeting called to comply with the law. All I have now to say is that before I put the motion to the meeting for the adoption of the report, if there is anyone here who desires to ask any special question, either I or my colleagues will endeavour to give any reasonable information which can be asked for on such an occasion as this. I formally move the adoption of the statutory report.

Mr. J. Leigh Wood, C.M.O., seconded the resolution.

Mr. Newell: May I ask if many shares have been allotted in India?

The Secretary: About 40,000.

The resolution was then put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

The Chairman: That is all the business before the meeting.

Mr. Salinger moved a vote of thanks to the Chairman, which was seconded by Mr. Gros and carried.

The Chairman made a brief acknowledgment, and the proceedings terminated.

CHINA IN PARLIAMENT.

RAILWAYS IN CHINA.

In the House of Commons on April 13, Earl Winterton asked the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs whether it was the fact that an agreement or understanding between Great Britain and Germany regarding German interests in the Yangtze was last year, on the demand of Germany, considered obsolete or ineffective; and whether, in consequence, Germany successfully claimed a right to participate in the Hankow-Canton railway project.

Mr. McKinnon Wood (Glasgow, St. Rollox, Min.), who replied, said:—An agreement was made by British and German financial groups in 1908 in regard to railways in the two districts in question. It was not a formal undertaking by the two Governments. That agreement has not been cancelled, but the German group contended with the British group that it did not apply in the case of the Hankow-Canton and Hankow-Szechuan railways, and it was not considered advisable to cancel this claim, which would only have led to keen competition between the different groups.

Earl Winterton asked whether it was not the case that the agreement of 1908 was within the knowledge, if it did not actually receive the sanction, of both the German and British Governments, and was regarded as binding on the citizens of both countries in China.

Mr. McKinnon Wood: The agreement was made not between the two Governments, but between two financial groups, and it is difficult for the Governments to enforce their different subjects in China to observe such an agreement.

CHINESE PORK.

In the House of Commons on April 13, Mr. Peto (Devizes, Opp.) asked the President of the Local Government Board whether he had ascertained if a part or all of the shipment of Chinese pork that was condemned and refused landing at Liverpool and London had been transhipped to the Isle of Man; whether it was being there made into bacon; whether any of such bacon was being shipped to London and Liverpool; whether as it was impossible for experts to determine by examination if bacon had been made from diseased carcasses or not, there was any means of preventing bacon, if made from diseased carcasses of Chinese pig in the Isle of Man being sold in this country as English-cured; and what steps would be taken to prevent it.

Mr. Buros (Battersea, Opp.)—The consignment of pork referred to in the question was not condemned in Liverpool and London as being unfit for food. So far as my information goes, it was subjected to careful examination by British experts in China before dispatch, any doubtful carcasses being rejected. The circumstances and the ordinary inspection at the ports to which food imports are subjected, seem sufficient to remove any apprehension.

Mr. Flavin (Kerry, N. Nat.) asked whether the right hon. gentleman would make inquiries as to the nature of the food upon which these pigs were fed.

Mr. Buros:—These pigs are not, as the hon. gentleman supposes, the black scavenger pigs, but the white pigs fed on rice from the Yangtze Valley. (Laughter.)

Mr. Remont:—Is it not the fact that these alleged rice-fed pigs are only fed on rice one or two days before they are slaughtered? (Laughter.)

No reply was given.

Mr. Kilbride (Kildare, S. Nat.) asked whether a portion of the carcass was not removed in order to prevent the detection of tuberculosis.

Mr. Buros said the Local Government Board insisted upon the carcass being landed whole. But part of the carcass was removed by the exporters for commercial reasons, as the carcass fetched more in the market without the backbone than with it.

Mr. Fell (Great Yarmouth, Opp.) asked the President of the Local Government Board what steps he was taking to prevent the introduction into this country of the Chinese pork which was being consigned into the Isle of Man, after having been twice rejected at ports in this country.

Mr. Buros:—Any bacon which is imported into this country is liable to inspection by the medical officer of health, and he is empowered to seize it if in his opinion it is unsound, unwholesome, or unfit for human consumption.

Mr. Fell asked whether the right hon. gentleman was aware that 25 bales of bacon made from this pork had already been received by the Union Cold Storage Company in London.

Mr. Buros:—I am not.

Mr. Rees:—Is it suggested that any expert called in examining these carcasses, whether the animals were fed or how long they were fed on rice?

Mr. Buros:—We take the precaution through the British Consul in the district to find out whether these pigs are fed as I have stated, and we have satisfied ourselves that the suggestions made by hon. members are untrue.

Mr. Hunt (Shropshire, Ludlow, Opp.)—When bacon is imported into this country can the inspectors tell whether it has been obtained from pigs suffering from tuberculosis or not? (Laughter.)

Mr. Remont:—Will the right hon. gentleman let the House see a copy of the report which he has received from the Consul?

Mr. Buros:—I will read it to the hon. member. ("No.") It is dated August, 1909, and the Consul-General at Hankow states that "the animals exported were different from the ordinary scavenger pigs; they are of a special breed, and they are fed on rice in the district of the Yangtze river."

THE *Sansuk Gazette*, says:—During the half year ended December 31, 1909, forty-six alligators measuring 203 ft. 6 in. were destroyed in Kuching and paid for by Government to the extent of \$75.98 which sum included the price of twenty-two eggs. This only refers to those reptiles which came under the notice of the authorities at the Kuching police station; the total length of alligators destroyed in this country during 1909 and on which rewards have been paid may be roughly put at 2,500 feet.

A REGISTRY FOR SEAMEN.

WHAT MR. BUXTON SHOULD DO.

The members of the Advisory Committee to the Board of Trade in matters affecting the mercantile marine adopted a resolution at their last meeting expressing approval of the scheme submitted to them for the establishment and maintenance of an Indexed Central Register for Seamen, and it now remains to be seen whether Mr. Sydney Buxton, as President of the Board of Trade will give effect to the recommendation, or whether, at the bidding of the permanent officials of his department, he will adhere to a system which at present costs a considerable amount of public money without being of any practical value.

As between the two forces, Mr. Buxton will be well advised if he allows himself to be guided by the views of the Advisory Committee. The gentlemen who compose this committee know what they are talking about and what they are recommending. As a corporate body they can speak for the everyday working life of our vast shipping community. They represent, not in any abstract or honorary capacity, but as men whose daily lives are in active touch with shipping concerns, both the shipowners and the seamen.

CARRYING OUT THE LAW.

The President of the Board of Trade would do well to note that it is not merely to this advice of his Committee that he is asked to give effect. The law lays it down expressly that such a Register as the one for which the Advisory Committee is contending is obligatory. Section 252 of the Merchant Shipping Act of 1894 says specifically: "The Registrar-General of Shipping and Seamen shall by means of documents transmitted to him in pursuance of this Act, and by any other means in his power, keep at his office a register of all persons who serve in ships subject to this Act."

A child in these matters would know very well that when Parliament inserted that section in the Act of 1894 it meant by "a register of all persons who serve in ships," an indexed, effective register, which would serve a practical purpose, and which could be readily consulted for information and guidance. There is no such a register in existence to-day. The Registrar-General of Shipping and Seamen might be able to tell that a seaman died on a certain ship on a certain voyage. In the way of tracing a seaman this is about all that he could tell, although no map sails out of a British port on a British ship without piles of documents coming into existence to attest the terms and nature of the agreement into which he has entered with those who employ him.

CONFUSION AND WASTE.

All this confusion, and slovenliness, and inefficiency is costing almost as much in hard cash as the upkeep of a regular and systematic register. At every port of the United Kingdom—and putting these at thirty is a low figure—a clerical staff is employed in filling up engagements books with names after names of seamen as they are found in the ships' articles. Not one of these books is systematically indexed, and when an application is made locally or from London as to any particular seaman, these endless pages, containing nothing but names, have to be examined line after line in a search that may quite easily miss the very name that is wanted.

It is only on this blind and helpless search that the Registrar-General of Seamen and Shipping can rely if he wants any definite information about a specific individual. The waste of time and the waste of money involved in maintaining this barren and useless method of procedure would not be tolerated for an instant. If Mr. Sydney Buxton is wise, he will probe this matter for himself, not content himself with listening alone to his permanent officials.—*Pall Mall Gazette*.

CHINESE LABOUR.

In an article on the Labour problem, *The Times* has this to say of the Chinese coolie.

It has been acknowledged that in working capacity, a Chinaman is equal to two Klings and that the former is not so much subject to the ailments that are inherent in the latter and considering the mode of living of the two, the Chinese is a far superior form of humanity, and is susceptible to a greater strain of work.

The lack of intelligence of the Kling is one of the principal causes why he is not preferred. The Chinaman is plodding and carries on his work with an earnestness for ultimate results and any one connected with these States can see at once the difference between a Chinese and a Kling homestead.

The great fault with our planters has been that no attempt has been made to acquire a mastery of the Chinese language and if the Creepers who came out raw and pay a premium were to devote the time and money in China to acquire a knowledge of the language and customs and habits of the Chinese agricultural population, he will find that his services will be much better appreciated than a knowledge of "Ten Ventus" or "Tale Vab." The different planters' associations might do well to encourage Assistants of Estates to make a study of the Chinese language and we are sure that if sufficient inducement is offered, there would spring out a splendid class of Assistants whom the Chinese coolies would adore and obey and carry out instructions as obediently as they would to their own lordly countrymen.

A Chinese coolie has more conscience than a Kling and will look better after his master's interest and it only requires a certain amount of tact and a knowledge of his language to make him carry out his orders.

COMETS DUE THIS YEAR.

In addition to Halley's two other comets are due to cross the path of the earth this year. The first, known as Tempel's second period comet, discovered in 1873, July 3rd, at Milan. It is due in about 51 years, and it was re-observed in 1878, 1894, 1899, and 1904, making its perihelion passage on the last occasion, in November; it should, therefore, return this coming spring. D'Arrest's comet, discovered in 1857, is the second object, and is due to return during the summer of this year. Its period is about 61 years, and it was re-observed in its return in 1857, 1870, 1877, 1890, and 1897, but it escaped observation, being unfavourably placed, in 1904.

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S RUBBER QUOTATIONS.

May 12th, 4.30 p.m.
The following quotations for rubber shares, by wire, are supplied by Messrs. E. S. Kadoorie & Co.:—

Allavara	7/3
Anglo-Javas	Tis. 20
Anglo-Malays	31/- ex. div.
Balgowles	523
Batu Tigas	110/-
Bertams	—
Bukit Kajang	—
Bukit Rajahs	—
Carey, Uniteds	50/- prem.
Castlefields	120/-
Changkat Serdangs	520
Cheras	312
Damasaras	180/-
Eastern Internationals	42/6 prem.
Fed. Selangors	—
Glensalsys	53/25
Glenshields	—
Golcondas	135/-
Golden Hopes	—
Highlands and Lowlands	146/6 ex. div.
Indragiris	540
Inch Kenneths	—
Jequies	—
Jonglandors	—
Kamunings	10/9 prem.
Kuala Lumpors	215/-
Lanadros (fully paid)	—
Lanadros (ppd.)	105/- prem.
Labus	—
Ledburys	107/6
Lloggis	64/6
London Asiatics	161/6
London Ventures	9/-
Merlimaus	—
Pajams	5/8
Pegohs	53
Rubber Trusts	63/- prem. ex. n. i.
Saggas	310/-
Sandycrofts	340
Sapongas	41/-
Seafields	—
Sekongs	40/- prem.
Shelfords	80/-
Singapore & Johores	322
Sumatra Paras	—
Sungel Chohs	112/6
Sungel Kapars	195/-
Tandjongs	55/- prem.
Tangkabs	27/6 prem.
Toerangle	7/6 prem.
Ulu Rantus	—
United Serdangs	135/-
United Singapore	54
United Sumatras	13/9
United Langkats	70/- ex. rights.
Para Rubber	104/- per lb.

The secretaries of the See Kee Rubber Estates, Ltd., Messrs. Sturmann and Martin, advise that they have received advice from the superintendent of the estate in Malacca, Mr. S. W. Moorehouse, that he intends to tap 2,000 trees immediately.

BATHQUARK AT SHANGHAI.

Sicawei Observatory reports that a sharp shock of earthquake occurred locally last evening, 6th inst., at six minutes past eight o'clock, sufficient to stop one of the clocks and to give a distinct record of five millimetres in length on the seismograph. The deviation was North and South and as a consequence of the disturbance of the clock it was found impossible to give the usual signal at 9 o'clock. The earthquake shock was felt in various parts of the Settlement.—*N. C. D. News*.

Events Coming.

Saturday, 14th May.
Hughes and Hough, auction sale of household furniture, 2.30 p.m.

Tuesday, 17th May.
Sanitary Board meeting, 3.45 p.m.

Wednesday, 18th May.
Licensing Board election, Supreme Court, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Auction sale of 477 bales raw silk, No. 16 Godown, Kowloon, 11 a.m.

Thursday, 19th May.
Legislative Council meeting, 2.30 p.m.



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Per Case 8 doz. Pints...	20.50
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Hongkong, 10th March, 1908.

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Hongkong, 11th August, 1908.

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"EMPRESS OF JAPAN" SATURDAY, JUNE 4TH.	"ALLAN LINE" FRIDAY, JULY 23RD.
"EMPRESS OF CHINA" SATURDAY, JUNE 18TH.	"EMPRESS OF IRELAND" FRIDAY, AUGUST 13TH.
"EMPRESS OF INDIA" SATURDAY, JULY 10TH.	
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MANILA	LOONGSANG	FRIDAY, 13th May, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHOYSANG	SATURDAY, 14th May, Noon.
TIENTSIN via CHEFOO	CHEONGSHING	SUNDAY, 15th May, Daylight.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI	KU TSANG	TUESDAY, 17th May, Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	NAMSANG	THURSDAY, 19th May, Noon.
MANILA	YUENSANG	FRIDAY, 20th May, 4 P.M.

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Hongkong, 12th May 1910.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
CEBU & ILOILO	"KALFONG"	14th May, Noon.
SAMARANG & SOERABAYA	"SEANTUNG"	14th " 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	15th " Daylight.
MANILA	"TAMING"	17th " 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"ANHUI"	19th " 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHIHUA"	22nd " Daylight.
MANILA	"TRAN"	24th " 3 P.M.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA & AUSTRALIA	"CHANGSHA"	26th " 4 P.M.

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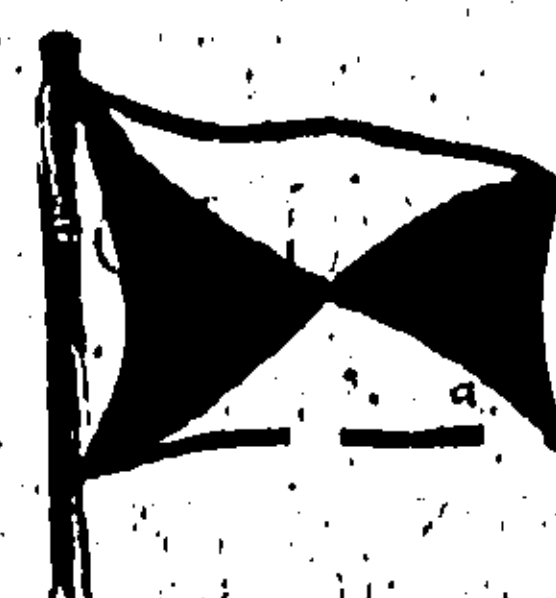
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CHINA AND MANILA

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Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Dates
KUBI	1140	A. Fraser	MANILA	SATURDAY, 14th May, at Noon.
CAIRO	1140	R. Rogers	"	SATURDAY, 21st May, at Noon.

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For	Steamers	G. Tonnage	Leaves
TACOMA v. KURLUNG, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	"CHICAGO MARU" Capt. I. Goto	6,181	WEDNESDAY, 18th May, at Noon.
Do	"TACOMA MARU" Capt. H. Yamamoto	6,178	WEDNESDAY, 15th June, at Noon.

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TAMSU v. SWATOW & AMOY.	"DAIJIN MARU" Capt. Y. Kobayashi	SUNDAY, 15th May, at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW, AMOY and FOOSHOW	"CHOSHUN MARU" Capt. T. Suroga	THURSDAY, 19th May, at 8 A.M.
ANPING via SWATOW and AMOY	"SOSHU MARU" Capt. Y. Yamamoto	WEDNESDAY, 25th May, at 10 A.M.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES, 1909
MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP Via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID	"HIRANO MARU" Capt. H. Fraser, Tons 9300 "TANGO MARU" Capt. A. Christiansen, Tons 8300 "KAMO MARU" Capt. F. L. Sommer, Tons 7000	WEDNESDAY, 26th May, at Daylight. WEDNESDAY, 8th June, at Daylight. WEDNESDAY, 21st June, at Daylight.

VICTORIA, B.C., & SEATTLE

VICTORIA, B.C., & SEATTLE v. KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOICHI, SHIMIZU & YOKOHAMA...	} TAMBA MARU, Capt. K. Sato, } AWA MARU, Capt. S. Ishikawa,	Tons 7000 { TUESDAY, 24th May, at Noon. Tons 7000 { TUESDAY, 21st June, at Noon.
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SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE Via MANILA, THURSDAY

"NIKKO MARU" Capt. M. Yagi, Tons 6000	FRIDAY, 13th May, at Noon.
"KUMANO MARU" Capt. M. Winkler, Tons 6000	FRIDAY, 10th June, at Noon.

BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE & COLOMBO

SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	{ TOSA MARU, Capt. Y. Nomura,	Tons 6300	{ TUESDAY, 24th May.
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SHARE QUOTATIONS.

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STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER RESERVE.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT PRESENT QUOTATION BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	120,000	\$125	\$125	\$1,500,000 \$1,500,000	\$2,028,518	\$2 1/2 for half year ending 31.12.09 @ ex 1/9 = \$15.11	4 1/2 %	\$950 sellers London 60/-
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	7	6	\$4,000 \$3,200,000	\$36,552	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1908	...	\$75 buyers
MARINE INSURANCES.								
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,500,000 \$854,583 \$302,791 \$185,000	none	\$10 for 1908	6 %	175 buyers
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	15	15	Tls. 22,000 Tls. 315,253 Tls. 146,183	Tls. 207,573	Final of 7/6 making 15/- for 1908	5 %	Tls. 115 sellers
Union Insurance Society of Canton	12,400	\$150	\$100	\$1,500,000 \$1,500,000 \$1,500,000	\$287,984	Final of \$20 per share, making in all \$50 per share for 1908 and an interim dividend of \$30 per share for 1909	6 %	\$840 sellers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$60	\$1,000,000 \$994,405 \$100,204	\$7,701	\$12 and bonus \$3 for 1907	7 %	\$200
FIRE.								
China Fire Insurance Company	20,000	\$100	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$550,341 \$101,161	\$4,846	\$6 and bonus \$2 for 1908	7 %	\$113 buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,400,000	\$426,218	\$27 for 1908	8 %	\$345 buyers
SHIPPING.								
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$15	\$15	\$17,743 \$230,000 \$100,000	Dr. \$3,777	\$ 1/2 for 1906	...	\$8 sellers \$33 sellers
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	\$100,000 \$100,000	...	\$1 for year ending 30.6.1908	...	...
Hongkong, Canton & Amoy Steamship Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$17,743 \$230,000 \$100,000	120,766	Final of \$1 1/2 for account 1910	8 %	\$39 buyers \$30 sales
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred)	60,000	£5	£5	£10,000 £10,000	...	6/- for 1907 on preference shares only @ ex 1/9 11/10 = \$1.154	...	\$71 buyers
Do. Do. (Deferred)	60,000	£5	£5	£10,000 £10,000	...	3rd in. of 2/- per sh. (comp. No. 12) making in all 4/- for 1908 & interim of 1/- for ac. '09	5 %	95/- buyers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	2,000,000	£1	£1	£100,000 £100,000	12,994	12/- for year ending 31.12.1909	4 1/2 %	\$16
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$50,000 \$48,980	\$8,122	12/- for year ending 31.12.1909	3 1/2 %	\$14
REFINERIES.								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	\$200,000 \$183,620	Dr. \$7,030	\$10 per share for 1909	5 1/2 %	\$177 sellers
Luxon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	...	Dr. \$135,84	\$3 for 1897	...	\$28 sellers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	...	Tls. 6.02	Tls. 10 for year ending 31.8.09	...	Tls. 900 buyers
MINING.								
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	£1	£1	£215,000 £84,390	£1,435	Final of 1/6 making 3/- for 1909	9 %	Tls. 18 Pa. 10 buyers
Headwaters Mining Company	60,000	Pa. 10	Pa. 10	...	...	\$1 per share 13th dividend	5 %	\$81 sellers
Ramb Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	150,000	£1	£1	£100,000 £100,000	...	...	...	...
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.								
Fenwick (Goo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$25,275	Dr. \$8,460	\$1 1/2 for year ending 31.12.05	...	\$20
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$550	\$50	\$550,000 \$2,693 \$2,693	\$264,847	\$1 1/2 for 1909	4 1/2 %	\$5 sales
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$50	\$50	\$50,000 \$50,000	\$122,775	Interim of \$1 1/2 for account 1909	...	160
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	...	Tls. 6.00	Interim of Tls. 3 for 1910	6 1/2 %	Tls. 76
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 00	Tls. 100	...	Tls. 9,222	Final of Tls. 4 for 1909	7 %	Tls. 121
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.								
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.	25,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	...	Tls. 13.14	Tls. 6 for year ending 31.12.09	5 1/2 %	Tls. 102 sellers \$16 buyers
Central Stores, Limited	50,123	\$15	\$15	...	\$4,400	\$1.10 on old and 60 cents on first new issue	2 %	\$207
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	...	\$1,177	\$2.60 on old shares and 1.30 on new shares	...	\$102
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	...	\$27.9	for half year ending 31.12.09	6 1/2 %	\$181
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	\$10	\$10	...	\$5,771	Interim of 3/- for account 1909	6 1/2 %	\$30 buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$50	...	£1.9	45 cents for 1909	8 1/2 %	\$11
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	...	Tls. 63,969	Final of 6 1/2 % bonus Tls. 1 for 1909	6 1/2 %	Tls. 121
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	...	...	Final of 11.3 for account 1909	8 1/2 %	\$40 sellers
COTTON MILLS.								
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 5	...	20.99	Tls. 11 for year ending 31.12.09	8 1/2 %	Tls. 1351 sellers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	\$10	\$1	...	59.55	50 cents for year ending 31.12.08	8 %	\$6 sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	...	Tls. 8.37	Tls. 7 1/2 for year ending 31.12.09	12 %	Tls. 62
Lao-koong-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 1	...	Tls. 4.89	Tls. 6 for 1909	7 %	Tls. 75
Sey Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 50	...	Tls. 31,173	Tls. 25 for 1909	10 %	Tls. 250 ex div.
MISCELLANEOUS.								
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	...	£1.50	15 % per share for 1909	...	\$10 buyers
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	...	£100,000	60 cents for year ending 31.12.06	6 %	\$11 sellers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	...	\$61,131	80 cents for year ending 31.12.06	...	\$2 sellers
Do. Do. special shares	50,000	\$1	\$1	...	2,622	80 cents for 1909	9 %	\$81 buyers
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$1	...	\$700,100	\$1.20 for year ending 31.12.09	6 1/2 %	\$19 buyers
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	...	\$1,000	Final of 40 cents making in all 75 cents per share for 1909	10 %	\$71 buyers
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	...	\$1,000	80 cents for year ending 31.12.08	6 1/2 %	\$12
H. Price & Company, Limited	12,000	\$10	\$10	...	\$5,000	[A dividend of \$1.20 per share and a bonus of 10 cents]	6 %	\$20 ex div. b.
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	...	\$11,798	Final of \$8 for 1909	6 1/2 %	\$160 sellers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	...	\$9,176	Final of \$1 making in all \$1 for 1910	6 1/2 %	\$224 sellers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	60,000	\$10	\$10	...	Tls. 326,682	4th interim of Tls. 12 for 1909	5 %	Tls. 1,450
Maatschappij tot Mijl, Bosch- en Landbouwerij op de Landen, Limited	15,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	...	Tls. 61,924	80 cents on fully paid shares and 8 cents on 1/2 paid shares for year ending 30.4.09	5 1/2 %	\$15 buyers
Peak Tramways Company, Limited	25,000	\$10	\$10	...	\$20,000	None	5 %	\$2.60 buyers
Peak Tramways Company (new)	50,000	\$10	\$10	...	...	None	...	\$10 buyers
Philippine Company, Limited	75,000	\$10	\$10	...	...	Final Tls. 5 making Tls. 8 for 1908	2 %	Tls. 300 sellers
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	...	Dr. \$31,006	None	...	\$25 buyers
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	...	...	40 cents for year ending 31.12.09	8 %	\$5 buyers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$25	\$25	...	...	60 cents for year ending 31.12.09	8 %	\$9 sellers
Union Waterboat Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	...	\$342	60 cents per ord. share for year ending 31.12.09	5 %	\$12 sellers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	20,000	\$10	\$10	...	\$20,000	Final of 30 cents for 1908	6 1/2 %	\$61 buyers
Watson (A.S.) & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	...	\$782	Final of 30 cts. making 80 cts. for the year ended 30th June, 1906	...	\$3 sellers
William Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	\$7

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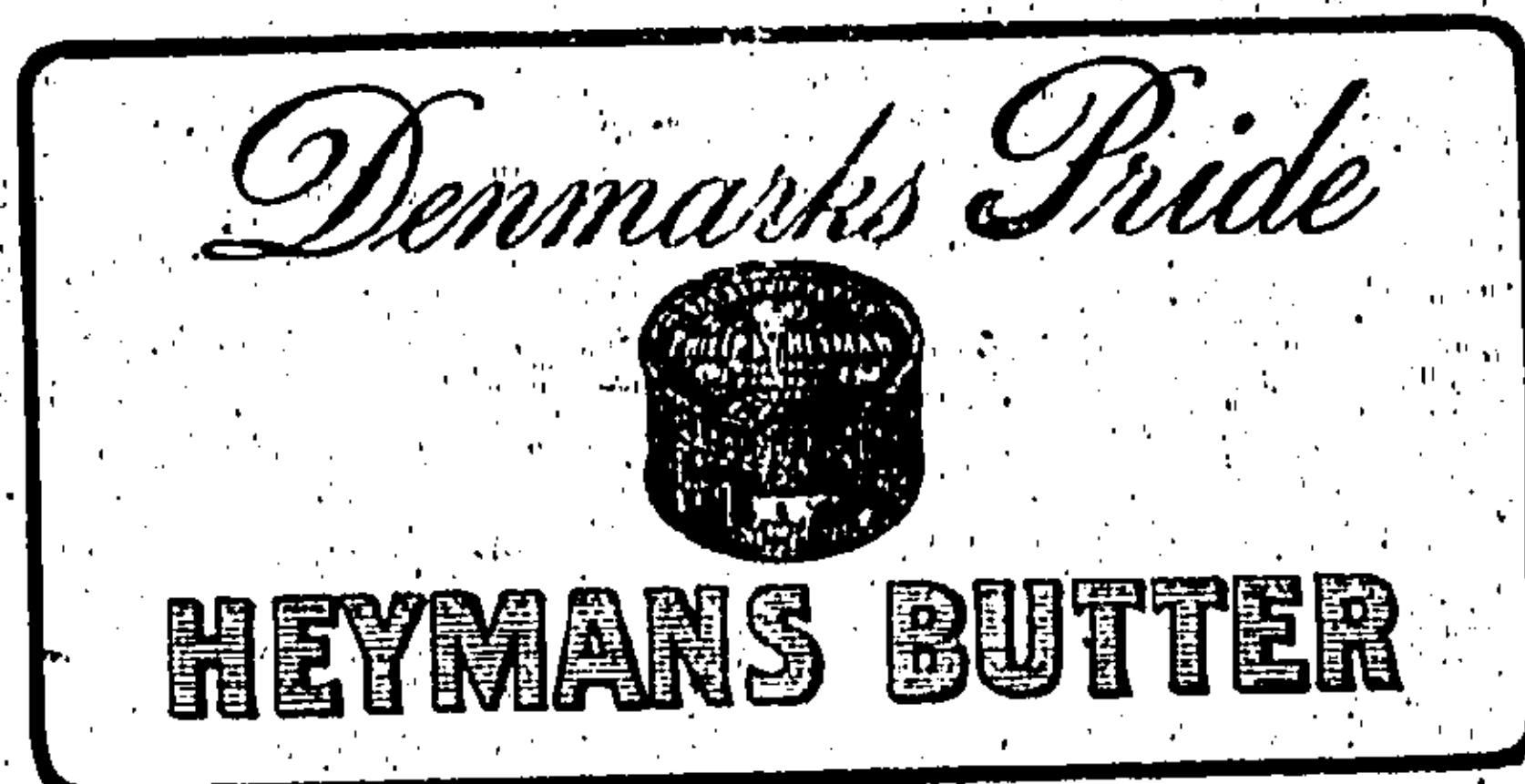
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